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In the Application of :
Rodrick A. Herdman : Confirmation No. 2657
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action of March 11, 2008, Applicant presents an amendment and response in the above identified patent application.

A one-month extension fee is submitted with the amendment and response, based on the final rejection office action date of December 12, 2007.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.